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RESPONSE TO ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT

Sir:

This Response is submitted to respond to the Office Action mailed April 24, 2003.

In the Claims:

Please amend the claims as follows:

Claim 1 (Currently amended): A metering valve comprising:

a valve body defining a metering chamber having an inlet and an outlet;
an inlet valve adapted to be reversibly actuatable from an open to a closed position located at the inlet; and
an outlet valve adapted to be reversibly actuatable from a dispensing to a non-dispensing position located at the outlet, wherein said outlet valve includes an outlet valve seat adapted to be in biasable contact with an outlet valve poppet.

Claim 2 (Previously amended): The metering valve according to claim 1, wherein said inlet valve includes an inlet valve seat adapted to be in biasable contact with an inlet valve poppet.

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